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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

First Named Inventor: SUZUKI, SHIGERU

Application No.: 10/519217

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Title: SLIDINGLY DETACHABLE CORE MEMBER AND COLD SHRINK TUBE UNIT  
HAVING THE SAME

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**STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madame:

On August 10, 2006, a telephone interview was conducted. Participants included Applicants' Attorney David J. Shenk and Examiner Chau N. Nguyen.

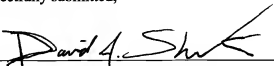
The substance of the interview included Applicant arguing that Dewdney does not teach two or more sliding sections. Examiner disagreed. Applicant argued that the body section (31a) and the sliding section (31b) of Nakamura et al. are made of different materials and therefore constitute different parts. Examiner disagreed. Applicant proposed to amend the claims slightly in view of Examiner's objections, and Examiner affirmed that such amendment would overcome the current art but nevertheless would require further consideration after a new search is performed.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required; please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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